VOCA Stakeholder Call

07.10.23 via WebEx 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Attendees:

Zak Wilson	Tara Shahangian
Jamie Padgett	Wade McDonald
Jessica Seitz	Ken Chapman
Benjamin Johnson	Jeriane Jaegers-Brenneke
Patti Custer	Patrick Luebbering
Adam Crumbliss	Cheryl Robb-Welch
Pat Thomas	Joe Engler

Brock Whisler

1. Reallocations to Subrecipients

- MOCADSV
 - Zak and Cheryl questioned why DSS would bid DeafLEAD, DAEOC, Synergy and the legal aid service providers.
 - After group discussion it was determined that DeafLEAD, DAEOC, Synergy and the legal aid service providers would be represented by MOCADSV.
 - Intends to hold listing sessions for agencies. Still on track for a competitive bid process; though they have explored having a base plus option as a variant.
- Kids First
 - Jessica would like to have a portion of SEMO-NASV and Synergy because they do some child advocacy.
 - SEMO-NASV will go under Kids First
 - Planning a membership meeting to propose a formula based process, competitive bid process or both.

- MAPA
 - Plans to use their current processes.
 - Will maintain current funding levels including the nine add-on agencies.
- MO-CASA
 - They did not have any questions or comments on the reallocations.
 - Their process will be partially competitive and partially formula based.

2. Information/Dissemination

- DSS
 - Reiterated to all that the public is not yet aware of these possible changes with VOCA funding allocations.
 - Any conversations that are had should include everyone.
 - Jeriane stated that she would like for DSS to send out a memorandum to the agencies before anyone else. Patrick agreed that everyone should learn about the possible changes at once or it may create a problem. DSS prefers that no one is blindsided and that it is imperative to let everyone know what is coming down the pipeline.
- MAPA
 - Jamie stated that MAPA has already sent out a memorandum to the nine new agencies notifying them of the possible future funding allocation and award process.
- MOCADSV
 - \circ $\,$ Zak stated that they have held individual conversations with members who are on their Board.
 - DSS found this concerning and feels like these conversations and/or meetings should not exclude non-members.
 - DSS does not want this to get ahead of the General Assembly before anything is final.

- Zak feels it's important to share this type of information with their member agencies.
- Note: Cheryl followed up with an email and stated they would not have this as a topic on their member call.
- Kids First
 - \circ $\;$ Jessica stated that her Board has not seen anything since early May before the pass-thru option was on the table.
 - They have talked about a pass-thru in the past but nothing in detail.

3. Additional Topic